



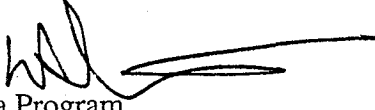
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Subject: Participation in Developing Fish and Aquatic Ecosystem Assessment Methods for
Use in CALFED's Programmatic EIR/EIS

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program (CALFED) is in the process of developing an assessment process for fish and the aquatic ecosystem to be used in the programmatic analysis of the CALFED alternatives. CALFED has met with key agency and stakeholder representatives and fishery experts to share information and receive suggestions on the assessment process.

You are invited to participate in the next working fish and aquatic ecosystem assessment methods team meeting which has been scheduled for **October 17, 1996, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in Room 1412 of the Resources Building, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento.** CALFED believes that your participation will contribute to the success of the fisheries and aquatic ecosystem impact assessment process that will be used in CALFED's Programmatic Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS). Your input and perspectives will be greatly appreciated.

Enclosed for your review is the information package which will be used at the October 17, 1996 meeting. This package contains:

- Final draft species list
- Narrative summary of the September 13, 1996 meeting
- Draft Proposed Aquatic Ecosystem Assessment Methods
- Distribution list
- Meeting Agenda

CALFED Agencies

California

The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal

Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service

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In keeping with the established format, this meeting will be a focused work session. We ask that you review the materials for this meeting and be prepared to discuss and comment on them at the meeting. CALFED staff and consultants are available to assist you in any way we can, and we look forward to your continuing input throughout the development of the Programmatic EIR/EIS. If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Halverson Martin at (916) 657-2666.

Enclosures